IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK

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O'Hara et al. Inventor(s): Appln. No.:

938.649 Series Code ↑ Serial No. 个

Filed: August 27, 2001

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Appln. Title:

Client Ref Gasser Composition and Method of

Gassing

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: January 23, 2003

This is a reply/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes the herewith attachment of same date and subject which is incorporated hereinto by reference and the signature below is treated as the signature to the attachment in absence of a signature thereto.

#### FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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1. Small Entity claim  A. ⊠ NOT made  B. ☐ Withdrawn  C. ☐ made herewith  D. ☐ made previously  For B & C See Required Separate Paper (Pat-256)	Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for		Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code ·
2. Total Effective Claims	19	**minus	20	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	1	***minus	3	0	x \$84/\$42 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters <u>proper</u> multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for <u>first</u>						. 00	104/004
						+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date: December 23, 2002 NONE							115/015
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due (1 mo) \$110/\$55 =							115/215 116/216
date to cover the date this response is filed for which the (2 mos) \$410/\$205 = +\$110							117/217
requisite fee is attached (3 mos) \$930/\$465 =							118/218
(4 mos)   \$1,450/\$725=   (5 mos)   \$1,970/\$985=							128/228
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8. Extension Fee						+ \$110	
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee						+ \$0	148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c),						+ \$0	126
or if Rule 97(d) Request							126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r) + \$750/370						+ \$0	146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b) x \$750/375 ea						+ \$0	149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)						+ \$0	1179/1279
14. Petition fee for						+ \$0	
15. TOTAL FEE =						\$110	
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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Group Art Unit: 3641

Examiner: MILLER, E.A.

#### **AMENDMENT**

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the text of the specification (pages 1 to 33) as filed, in its entirety. Please replace the text of the specification with the substitute specification (pages 1 to 24), enclosed herewith.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

After entry of the claims below, please cancel claims 1, 18 to 35, and 37 to 59 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following claims:

- -- 60. (New) A method of forming a gassed emulsion explosive composition comprising:
  - (a) forming a gasser solution comprising a solution of an inorganic nitrite, an

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